THE MINISTER OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI MADHAVSINH SOLANKI): (a) Parts of the Indian State of Jammu and Kashmir are under the occupation of Pakistan and China. The area of the state of Jammu & Kashmir presently under occupation of Pakistan is approximately 78,000 sq kms. The area under occupation by China in Jammu & Kashmir is approximately 38,000 sq kms. In addition, in the so-called Sino-Pakistani "Boundary Agreement" of 1963, Pakistan has illegally ceded approximately 5120 sq kms. of Indian territory in Pakistan Occupied Kashmir to China.

(b) With regard to Pakistan, Government have reiterated on several occasions that Pakistan must vacate the territory illegally occupied by it in Jammu & Kashmir. Government stand prepared for talks between the representatives of the two countries for a final settlement of the Kashmir issue under the Shimla Agreement provided Pakistan first stops its support for terrorism and thereby creates a climate in which the talks will have meaningful results.

Government believe that all differences and problems with China should be resolved through peaceful negotiations. The two sides are continuing their efforts to evolve a mutual understanding for seeking a fair, reasonable and mutually acceptable settlement of the boundary question which is in conformity with national interests and national sentiments. The India-China Joint Working Group has been established for this specific purpose.

[English]

Additional Cyclone Relief to Andhra Pradesh

2239. SHRI DATTATRAYA BANDARU: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) the additional financial assistance given to Andhra Pradesh during 1990-91 to meet the situation arising out of the cyclone that hit the coast in 1990; and

(b) the number of farmers benefited by the relief measures in Andhra Pradesh during 1990-91?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI MULLAPPALLY RAMACHANDRAN): (a) Apart from releasing the Central share of Rs. 64.50 crores for 1990-91 towards the State Calamity Relief Fund, the Central Government provided the following additional assistance to the Government of Andhra Pradesh to meet the situation caused by cyclone of May, 1990:

	(*Rs. Crores*)
(i) Advance from Calamity Relief Fund . .	61.16
(ii) Assistance from Prime Minister's National Relief fund . .	2.00
(iii) Assistance from Indian People's Natural Calamity Trust. .	1.37

(b) 4.07 lakh small and marginal farmers were benefited from the relief measures taken by the State Government.

Construction of Tidal Bank along the Coast Line in Andhra Pradesh

2240. SHRI DATTATRAYA BANDARU: Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government of Andhra Pradesh has sent any proposal to the Union Government for construction of a tidal bank along the coast line to prevent the damage caused by frequent cyclones; and